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Re: DE 10-212, Commercial and Industrial Renewable Energy Rebate Program

To Whom It May Concern:

Commission staff has received several inquiries requesting clarification regarding the amount of commercial and industrial (C&I) solar rebate program funding that an applicant may receive for projects at a single site or at multiple sites. This letter clarifies the limits on rebate funding. The C&I solar rebate program sets a rebate funding cap at a maximum of \$50,000 per project. There is also an installer cap stipulating that no installer company may have rebates or projects in the reservation queue totaling more than \$200,000 at any given time during the first year of the program. There is no current language specifying an applicant cap other than the per project rebate maximum of \$50,000.

With this letter the Commission clarifies that the applicant cap on rebates is set at \$200,000. Each project within the cap must be stand-alone, operate independently of other projects, and be separately metered. Unlike the installer cap, the \$200,000 limit is based on the first 12 months of the program, and not on the status of the reservation queue at any given time. The applicant cap applies whether projects are located on the same site or on multiple sites. For example, a community college with a single campus or a chain store with numerous branches are treated similarly – each may file for more than one project so long as no project requests more than \$50,000 in rebate funds *and* so long as the total rebate funds requested between November 1, 2010 and October 31, 2011 do not exceed \$200,000.

Sincerely,

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